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Officer and Member of Parliament
Pleads for the Cause of
Ireland.

Erskine Childers, Author and Fight-
er in World War, Arraigns
England.

Ireland the Only White Community
in the World Denied Self-
Government.

WAR'S PROMISES UNFULFILLED

Ireland is coming to occupy a strange position in the world; the most hopeful or the most hopeless, according to our estimate of tendencies. In the midst of the eternal conflict between right and might she stands a lonely, symbolic figure, tragically isolated, and yet the prize of contending principles, seemingly so sharply defined that the issue can not be deferred. Here is a country governed at this moment, like Belgium under Prussia, by a nation which went to war to free Belgium from Prussia. For Belgium was then the symbol of right, and the defense of right against might was the declared aim of the enemies of Germany. The evil thing fought against was described in many formulae—"militarism," "Prussianism" and the rest—which all meant the same thing—the selfish use of national force by the strong against the weak. The aim was to defeat this evil, to protect the weak against the strong and to preserve the "freedom of small nations." What a splendid purpose! But this was the aim declared to the world, and by none more solemnly than Great Britain. It was even urged upon Ireland as a reason for her enthusiastic participation in the war, although with incredible blindness to the facts of human nature, the war itself was made an excuse for postponing Ireland's own freedom, and her consequent coldness was used to blacken her in the eyes of the world as a friend of "Prussianism."

The declared aim of the war was sustained and strengthened by events. With the fall of the Czar and the intervention of America two fresh formulae appeared—"democracy" and "self-determination." These were not new aims, but obvious extensions and corollaries of the original one, with the main stress laid on the emancipation of subject states instead of the restoration of states before the war, like Belgium and Serbia. Democratic self-determination as a universal principle of human right was the sustained burden of all the brilliant and ardent propaganda of President Wilson. He addressed the whole world as Allies and enemies alike. "Our message is to all imperialists," he once said. And it was also to all subject nationalities, without distinction of race, religion or strategic situation. We are fighting for the liberty of the self-governing peoples, the undisturbed development of all peoples. (May 26, 1917.) "What we seek is the reign of law based upon the consent of the governed and sustained by the organized opinion of mankind." (July 4, 1918.)

The same universal principle was proclaimed in the speech to Congress (January 8, 1918), containing the famous fourteen points, which afterward became the official basis of peace. "An evident principle," he concluded, "runs through the whole programme I have outlined. It is the principle of justice to all peoples and nationalities and their right to live on equal terms of liberty and safety with one another, whether they be strong or weak." The principle, themselves, embodying terms of peace with the enemy, had to deal mainly with the direct issues of the war. Regarded in this light, some of them lack exact precision, but their spirit is unmistakable. They prescribe free self-development for nationalities great and small.

In repeatedly giving universal application to his charter of freedom for the weak, it would be idle to pretend that the President had had the outspoken concurrence of his European allies, who were themselves rulers of subject peoples on a vaster scale than the enemy powers. But in their final acceptance of "the terms of peace laid down in the President's address to Congress of January, 1918, and the principles of settlement enunciated in his subsequent addresses," they definitely and in honor committed themselves not only to the fourteen points (with one exception), but to the "evident principle" underlying them. Great Britain was especially committed both by the warm praise given to all the President's utterances and by the Prime Minister's speeches at the same period, to an agreement, according to general agreement, an identical policy with that of the United States. But whatever the inner views of the imperialists, events forced the issue. The disintegration of the Russian Empire left a dozen small nationalities without a master. Nine months later the collapse in quick succession of the Turkish, Austrian and German empires added a host more. All Europe and much of Asia was in a ferment of republicanism, and "self-determination" was not only the universal inspiration, but the deciding factor in reconstruction. It was impossible to expect that reconstruction should be easy, that this gigantic ferment should subside at once on what Mr.



CAPT. ALCOCK AND LIEUT. BROWN.

Pioneer trans-Atlantic fliers receiving from Winston Churchill checks for \$65,000 prize money offered for the first flight between America and Europe. Insert shows Lieut. Commander Alfred C. Read, hero of the first trans-Atlantic flight, and his mother at their first meeting since Commander Read's return.

Wilson called "clearly recognized lines of nationality."

There are complexities still unsolved and perils that can not be avoided arising from the intermixture and interpenetration of races and languages and the absence of clearly defined frontiers. There are perils arising from mutilations and temporary annexations of parts of Germany itself and from claims like that of Italy over Jugo-Slavia. The future of some of the Asiatic races is still undecided. But this much is true, that the ancient servitudes of Europe, at any rate, now consists of free peoples, with the one solitary exception of Ireland.

But that is not the full extent of the anomaly. White peoples in the rest of the world, all of them offshoots of Great Britain, had already made good their right to self-determination, so that Ireland survives as the only white community on the face of the globe where the "government by consent," which President Wilson summoned the "organized opinion of mankind" to sustain, is not established. If in Ireland special circumstances could be shown to exist which distinguish her case from all others, it would still be hardly possible to justify an anomaly so flagrant. But there are none. On the contrary, her case is simpler than that of any of the host of new European nationalities. She is an island, with the best and most immutable of all frontiers, the sea, with an historical identity beyond dispute and an historical unity beyond dispute, for, although conquered and to some extent colonized, she has absorbed conquerors and colonists, so that all her inhabitants call themselves Irishmen. Live under an Irish administration, and obey laws common to the whole island, but differing widely from those of Great Britain.

And among these Irishmen, Ulstermen included, there is a larger measure of unanimity for unified self-government and a smaller and a less difficult minority problem than in any of the new European states, while minority problems at least as difficult were met in the great dominions. Nor does freedom for Ireland raise any ulterior international problems and difficulties like those which, in default of the most unselfish and enlightened statesmanship, threaten the new Europe.

NOW 500,699 MEN.

Discharges from the army now total 3,208,759, the War Department announced Saturday, leaving a net strength on August 12 of 500,699 officers and men, of whom 109,938 still were in Europe.



CARRYING TREATY TO SENATE.

President Wilson personally carried his copy of the peace treaty to the Senate when he addressed that body. He is seen leaving the White House with the treaty under his arm.

KEYSTONE

Police Prove Utter Failure in
Handling Street Car
Strike.

Chief Petty's Camouflage Concern-
ing the Comedy Cops Now
Exposed.

The Grand Stand Gallery Play of
Smith and Burlingame Falls
Down.

THE LOWER BOARD REBELS.

Well, it took a big street car strike to demonstrate the argument of the Kentucky Irish American for the past year and a half, in which it was contended that we had no police force and that under the reign of Chief Petty, of Shelbyville, the department was deteriorating day by day. The older and real police were dropped gradually, their places filled by "hicks" who wouldn't be police in a thousand years, and all of this time this paper was the only one in Louisville calling attention to the injustice to the taxpayers. The utter and absolute failure of the Keystone cops to provide protection for either the public, the company or the strikers has been emphasized so that now everyone knows that the Louisville police department is one huge joke and the taxpayers are being bilked to pay salaries to a big array of Keystone comedians. There's one silver lining to the cloud however, and that is Chief Petty's press bureau as never before. Week in and week out the Chief, to cover up the many failures of his Keystoneers, would hand out a line of bunk about the police band which by the way has never materialized, or the police school, which was a burlesque, or a story about Hiram Wendrop, the police chaplain who conducts prayer meetings and revivals at the station houses. Incidentally while the police parson was having his revivals the burlesque chaplain would be having little revivals of their own on our prominent thoroughfares.

While a little tired from the daily drilling out the avenue and the inconveniences of the strike, we can't help but laugh how quickly when their own ox was yoked. During the entire reign of the misfit administration the Bingham press put forth its best efforts in boosting the Keystone cops, and it hasn't been but a short time back when the Times was running a series of pictures of the comedy police officers, telling how Capt. Zeke Hodfast got his reputation as a sleuth while trailing a plow, or how Sergeant Silas Cornblissom could be depended upon to track an elephant in the snow. All of this hasn't been so long ago either, yet the other night when one of the comedy cops played a slapstick role by beating up two Courier-Journal reporters the Times howled something awful and took a few of the bitterest pot shots at the near Mayor we ever saw. The strikers, the company, the public and the press now realize we haven't any police force worth speaking of, and some labor leaders have had the gall to speak of organizing the Keystone force and foisting them on us forever.

Things have been breaking bad for near Mayor Smith and his "reform" administration the past ten days, and they say our near Mayor, the department heads and their advisers are badly rattled. The Warley-Ryan steal, the Hospital scandal of bugs in the food, the street car strike and the fall down of the administration in securing the war

department food has set the public on buzzing, and it's the worst thing for the near Mayor that we haven't the referendum and recall, as in the language of the stage old Smithy would sure get the hook. The street-car strike was the blow that killed father and has driven near Mayor into falling out with the papers and everyone else. As everyone knows by now the near Mayor is very fond of gallery plays, grandiose letters and bulletins, so it was planned by some of the Republican politicians in the administration, and some in the strikers' ranks, to arrange a settlement where near Mayor Smith and Chairman Paul Burlingame, of the Board of Safety, would come out as the laurel crowned heroes and get all the hurrahs, huzzaws, banyais and everything else that would boost the local Republican "reform" administration. Smithy and Burly were to step in at the eleventh hour, accept the credit for settling the strike, rush pell mell over to the Gayety Theater where the men were assembled, stride down to the footlights and say majestically: "Boys, we have met the enemy and they are ours, the strike is settled." Then would be fireworks, red lights, boom for Smithy for Governor and Paul, of Jeffersonville, for Mayor, but alas and alack! all is off as the plan fell through. Tears and slow music.

To add to the administration troubles the Lower Board of the General Council rebels against the dictation of Burlingame and the Board of Safety and President Dumas reads the riot act to the board's Chairman, telling him that the Board of Safety were a lot of wise licks that were killing the Republican party. Furthermore Dumas told Burlingame that the latter couldn't make good by giving Morrow 5,000 majority here this fall. (Evidently Paul is a kisser when he predicts 5,000 for the G. O. P.) At the council meeting Tuesday night Dumas and his followers controlled and adopted several resolutions knocking the Board of Safety and the Police Department, despite the fact that Burlingame, Matt Chilton, Ben Brumleve, Eugene Daley, John Tate, Mike Filben, Charles Martin and a few others were there to add dignity to the administration forces. They were supplemented by Col. Petty in his thousand-dollar uniform, which ranks second to no other Chief's in the country, because no other Chief of a first-class city wears a uniform. For his aide Col. Petty had Sergeant Steepleton, who was very familiar with the subject before the board, as he had been a motorman previous to going on the police force.

President Dumas was not daunted by the glittering array of city administration forces and proceeded to read a long and tedious list of all to have the police taken off the cars. Councilman Nick Denunzio made an impassioned speech along the same lines and in a flowery burst of oratory said Mr. Minary, a Republican supporter, was placing the city in a state of "jeopardy." Then Councilman Horn blew in and attacked the idea of letting the Keystone police get their dinners from the car company, as the city was able to pay 'em their wages. One lone administration supporter, Councilman McIntosh, who came in out of the rain of votes to say that he was voting from a legislative standpoint.

Another thorn in the side of the "reform" boys this week was the failure to secure cheap food from the war department and as predicted the councilman who was given the telegrams of the near Mayor and his subordinates were only camouflage and bombast. The Secretary of the War Department showed them up in great style when in answer to a query why Louisville was trailing behind Louisville, Evansville, Paducah and other cities he said "They were too slow and did not even follow the plain instructions as to how to secure the supplies." There could have been no excuse for failure to get in touch with Washington and the War Department, as the city was represented by Congressman Ogden, the Republican machine choice. What a pity for Louisville that Swager Sherley was not there. We would have more than our allotment of food and the completion of Camp Knox a certainty.

The city's trails badly behind with a little measly \$5,000 appropriation for food, which might buy enough peanuts to go around, but that's all.

The street-car strike distracted some from the City Hospital and the Board of Safety tried to cover up by bluster. Just as soon as an outsider proved the patients were getting bugs in the food then the Board of Safety announces with a big blow that an efficiency expert has been chosen to remedy the matter and firing one of the dish-washers or minor subordinates instead of the superiors who are responsible. But get this. The efficiency expert is a Republican politician of long standing, Albert Spies, being former assistant Oil Inspector in the Kentucky Republican administration. And this is the same crowd who prate about keeping politics out of our institutions. As we go to press the car company is running some cars with a Keystone on each, and a moving picture of the scene at the near Mayor's home. The Keystone, who is not at home in the seats, stamps his foot every time the motorman clangs the bell and has a hard time to keep from pulling the bell rope at every corner. It's pretty hard to teach an old dog new tricks and you can make a policeman out of an ex-captain, not in a few days, and more likely ever. The comedy cops are not strong on opposing the strikers for two reasons. One is that they are opposing the boys, 95 per cent. of whom voted for Smithy and the other is because they are afraid of a mixup. The last reason is the most logical.



SPEAKING TO BUILDERS OF GREAT STADIUM.

Pershing addressing American army engineers who built the Pershing Stadium in Paris. The stadium has been presented to France in the name of the American army. Insert shows Marshal Joffre and General Pershing after being capped with the Degree of Doctor of Laws at Oxford University.

REPUBLICAN

Party Trying to Recuperate From
Effects of Colored Voters'
Revolution.

Morrow Attends Colored Picnic and
Finds Out They Have Some
Wrongs.

The Hgt-Searcy Machine's Bungling
Primary Amuses State
G. O. P.

BINGHAM PRESS BUSHWHACKS.

This has been another week of gloom and trouble for the Republican party and misfortune is camping so hot on the trail of the G. O. P. that the leaders have become desperate. First came the rebellion of the colored voters in the candidacy of Warley, and it took every asset in the ranks in money, brains and brawn to steal the election away from the colored man by a slim majority of eighty votes. And this right in the home town of the Bingham press, where the colored voters are the Louisville boss and State Campaign Chairman. Warley is still fighting the result in court, having oodles of evidence as to fraud and intimidation, and if the contest doesn't bring out the evidence what an array will be given to some grand jury! Pretty near everyone in town knows the names of men who offered \$200 and \$300 to Democratic challengers; the reputable lawyers stationed in the polls can tell of fraud and repeating and many can testify to Republican workers being armed and bullets being stamped on the table openly. It is rumored many of the leading performers are preparing to flit away while flitting is good, while the anti-Hert and Searcy Republicans are in the State are laughing over the Bingham mess made right here in the homes of town.

The failure to beat Warley on the square and the open rebellion of the colored Republicans throughout the State must have been a knock-out for the G. O. P. dictators, as the society notes tell us of Messrs. Hert and Searcy recuperating at Boss Hert's place at Mackinac Island. Recuperate is right, and it would not be a bad idea to reserve a berth there for Howdy Ed Morrow after the November election. The hand-picked candidate tried his best to stand up to the colored voters this past week, going in person to a big colored picnic at Melwood Park, accompanied by a few of the colored Republicans who hold minor jobs in the City Hall and Court House. One of the prominent Morrow boosters there was Dr. Peters, the negro physician who holds a city job and who was twice indicted and found guilty for peddling cocaine. The Republican machine candidate delivered an address which the colored paper here says "contained the same old election bull," but when he attempted to tell of the "wrongs of 1915" he was drowned out with cries of "How about the wrongs of 1919?" and "How about Warley?" There is no doubt about it. The colored voter in the Republican party has awakened and his awakening bodes no good for Morrow and the G. O. P. machine. All good critics now agree that Morrow is slipping fast and Gov. Black will trim him easily in November.

The above prediction is based principally on the unity and harmony that prevails in the Democratic party and the prospects for a big love feast at the convention on September 4 in this city. The ticket chosen at the primary is a strong one, the Stanley and Beckham factions have been eliminated despite the efforts of the Bingham press, and right here attention might be called to the tactics of the

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High Place Among the
Nations.

Irish People Determined Not to
Remain Only White Race
in Slavery.

WOULD FORGIVE AND FORGET.

Hon. Daniel F. Cohalan, Justice of the Supreme Court, New York, commenting upon the Irish question in a statement issued from National Headquarters of the Friends of Irish Freedom, New York, said last Saturday:

"If the question between Ireland and England were between two individuals no jury sitting in any part of America would have any difficulty in disposing of the matter. Ireland does not ask anything of England except to be left alone. She only wants what belongs to her. She wants to govern herself and her own people in her own way, according to her own standards. She does not ask one inch of territory that is not contained within the four seas of Ireland. She does not ask to impose her will upon a single person who dwells beyond her shores. She appeals to the free peoples of the earth for the opportunity to go her own way. She appeals to the rest of mankind, with all the rest of mankind, offers not only to forgive, but as far as she can even to forget past dealings with England and to dwell in peace and amity with England as a neighbor.

"But she refuses, as she has refused for 750 years, to permit the stranger, England, to govern her, to control her resources, to shut her off from contact with the other nations of the earth, to keep her out of her high place among the nations, and she says with a voice of a united people that as she has fought for 750 years for her independence so she is prepared to fight, if necessary, as long again in order to attain that independence and to resume her place among the independent nations. Ireland's sons say for her that England, with all her power, with all her barbarity, can not destroy them or wipe them out; that the fight which England waged through so much of the century, and when England shall withdraw her last soldier from Ireland and leave that country, which she has been robbing for centuries, to govern and rule herself.

"England has tried for centuries every form of cruelty, of tyranny in her treatment of the people of Ireland. Lloyd George himself admitted in the House of Commons last year that England had made an absolute failure of her government of Ireland and that today she was as unpopular with the mass of the people of Ireland as she was in the days of Oliver Cromwell.

"In the early stages of the late great war the world was made familiar with the story of the treatment of the Belgians in their own country from the invaders. It was only the recital and summary of England's treatment of Ireland. Not an atrocity was charged against the Germans in Belgium, not a cruelty perpetrated by the crime committed, which could not be duplicated one hundred fold in England's treatment of Ireland, with the proof to be taken from the admission of English historians, from the declarations of English statesmen, the only difference between Belgium and Ireland being that the atrocities in Belgium were alleged to have extended over a period of three or four years, while the atrocities of England in Ireland have extended over the centuries.

"Belgium today, with a chorus of thanksgiving from all over the world, has resumed her place among the nations of the earth. Ireland, after seven and a half centuries of greater suffering, still lies prostrate at the feet of England, but liberty is in the air, and it will be given to Ireland as to the rest of the world. Men of Irish blood, joined by patriotic Americans everywhere, are determined that the Irish people shall not remain the only white race in slavery and they have put their shoulder to the wheel and are not going to surrender until Ireland is internationally recognized as a free and independent republic. The Irish nation was refused a hearing at the Peace Conference, the Peace of Paris, but America realizes full well that a just and lasting peace can not be made until the question of Ireland is settled. And it can be settled right only by granting to that country her absolute freedom from the chains of the tyrant who had bound her through the centuries."

BIG HOLY NAME RALLY.

The Directors and Presidents of the Holy Name Societies in thirty-three parishes in Washington and vicinity meet last week to formulate plans for what will probably be the biggest demonstration of its kind to be held at the capital in October. The parade will form at the Peace Monument at the foot of Capitol Hill, and will march to the Washington Monument, the base of which benediction will be given. It is expected that Cardinal Gibbons, Cardinal Mercier and the Apostolic Delegate will participate in the ceremony. John Hadley Doyle, President of the Holy Name Union of Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia, will be in charge.



NORMAN E. BROOKS.

Australia's Champion Tennis player, who is coming to America to enter the national championship tournament.